



**PATENT**

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**AMENDMENT B**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is an Amendment in response to the Final Office Action dated August 8, 2004, for the above-identified patent application.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claim 55, and please amend claims 1, 2, 6, 7, 10-12, 18, 19, 22, 25, 26, 28, 31, 32, 35-37, 40, 41, 44, 46, 48, 49 and 53 as follows:

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